

3 13. A decorative material, comprising:  
two polarizers, wherein each polarizer has a controlled direction of polarization axis,  
and at least one of the polarizers contains several elements differing by directions of their  
polarization axes; and  
at least one phase-shifting plate placed between the polarizers, wherein the phase-  
shifting plate represents a continuous layer of a homogeneous optical anisotropic material.

8 18. The decorative material of claim 16 or 17, wherein the molecularly oriented film  
represents a layer of an organic substance formed from lyotropic liquid crystals.

19. The decorative material of claim 16 or 17, wherein the molecularly oriented film  
represents a layer of an organic substance formed from thermotropic liquid crystals having a  
temperature of transition from solid to LC state above the ambient temperature.

20. A decorative material, comprising  
a polarizer having a controlled direction of polarization axis;  
a reflecting layer; and  
at least one phase-shifting plate placed between the polarizer and the reflecting layer,  
wherein the phase-shifting plate represents a continuous layer of an optically anisotropic material  
containing regions differing by value of phase shift and/or direction of fast optical axis.

#### REMARKS

This amendment is supplemental to the amendment submitted on November 5, 2002 in  
response to the Office Action mailed July 5, 2001.

Claims 11, 13, and 18-20 are amended to place this application in a better condition for  
allowance for the reasons presented in the Response submitted on November 5, 2002. Entry of  
this supplemental amendment is respectfully requested under 37 CFR 1.111 since it does not  
unduly interfere with an Office action being prepared in response to the previous Response. No  
new matter is added. Claims 11-20 are pending in this application.